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Study on the status of mapping in the world**Study on the status of mapping in the world****Report of the Secretary-General**

This present paper summarizes a preliminary progress report¹ of the study on the status of mapping in the world, conducted by the United Nations pursuant to resolution 3 of the ninth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas, held in New York in 2009. The survey-based study was carried out with the support of the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing and involved all national geospatial information authorities in the world. The report sets out the main content of the questionnaire, the status of the responses and the timeline for the completion of data analysis and dissemination. The information collected will eventually be used to develop country profiles, good practices and lessons learned in the dissemination and use of geospatial data. The Committee is invited to take note of the report and to express its views on the study and on possible options for reporting on the status of mapping in the world.

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¹ The report is available in the language of submission only from http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html.

